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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Deputy Director for Plans  
Deputy Director for Support

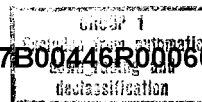
**SUBJECT:** Foreign Service Act Amendments of 1965

**REFERENCE:** OGC Memo to DDP & DDS, same subject,  
dated 19 April 1965

1. This memorandum is for information.
2. On 19 August 1965 the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 6277) to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended, and other related laws, reported favorably on the bill with several amendments and recommended that the bill as amended pass. The Department of State has advised this Office that they expect the amended bill to be voted upon and passed by the House during the present session of Congress. However, it is unlikely that the Senate will consider this important measure until 1966.
3. The following is a brief analysis of the recent amendments to the bill which are of interest to the Agency. References are to the sections as numbered in the latest version of the bill, a copy of which is attached hereto. The numbers of corresponding sections in the original bill discussed in the referent memorandum are shown in parentheses at the beginning of the applicable paragraphs.
4. Sec. 3. The proposed amendment to section 201 of the Foreign Service Act of 1946, as amended, (22 U.S.C. 821) upgrades the post of Director General of the Foreign Service. It provides that he shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. He must be selected from the top three classes of

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22. It is possible that additional changes of significance will be made by the whole House or by the Senate when it considers the bill. This Office will keep you advised of the progress of this important legislation.

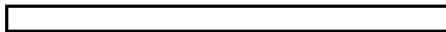
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**Attachment**

cc: Special Support Assistant to the  
Deputy Director for Support  
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7. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Senator Stennis (D., Miss.) and discussed with him the floor remarks of August 17 of Senator Stephen Young (D., Ohio) on the proposed Soviet Consular Agreements. After some discussion, the Senator allowed that he didn't feel that we should bother Senator Young, that he does say things at times, but not much would be gained in discussing the matter with him.

Discussed the Singapore affair with the Senator in response to his questions. The Senator was quite philosophical, feeling that the Agency has its work cut out for it and that it should be admired for the job.

8. (Confidential - LLM) Spoke with Dr. Albert Westphal, Staff Consultant, House Committee on Foreign Affairs, and he said that the Foreign Service Act amendments (H.R. 6277) may come up for consideration on the floor next week. He indicated that the strongest opposition was still coming from the veterans' organization who are concerned with the loss of veterans' preference.

9. (Internal Use Only - LLM) Mr. William Carpenter, CA Staff, called concerning recent House passed legislation authorizing loan of naval vessels to friendly foreign countries which Senator Richard Russell is supposedly against.

10. (Unclassified - LLM) Met with the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Board chaired by the Director of Personnel concerning a proposed amendment to the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act on the adjustment of cost-of-living annuities. The Board concurred in our legislative proposal.

11. (Secret - JFW) Met with Representative Thomas G. Morgan, Chairman, House Foreign Affairs Committee, with Boyd Crawford, Staff Director, also present and Representative Clement Zablocki, Chairman Far East Subcommittee of House Foreign Affairs, on the Singapore matter. See Memorandum for the Record for full details.

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